

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please substitute the following paragraph for the paragraph starting at page 16, line 2 and ending at line 15.

A thin bridge part provided in an aperture of a disc cartridge is located farther from ~~[[a]]~~ an optical pickup than a surface of a disc, which is the surface to be irradiated with a light beam in a state in which the disc cartridge is mounted to the information recording/reproducing device. ~~A optical pickup~~ An objective lens is retracted into a position opposite to an end surface of the thin bridge part at the time of mounting and removing the disc. ~~According to the constitution, a small-sized information recording/reproducing device is realized while preventing an objective lens from colliding against a disc or a cartridge case at the time of mounting and removing the disc.~~